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"New on the Shelves" is a list of recent additions to the library collection of the State Historical Society of Iowa. New to the list beginning with this issue are manuscript, audio-visual, and map collections recently processed in Iowa City that we think might be of particular interest to readers of the *Annals of Iowa*. Most of the published materials that are listed in the subsequent section are not appropriate for scholarly review, but researchers in Iowa history do need to know that the books are available. The "DM" or "IC" at the end of each entry denotes whether the item is held in Des Moines or Iowa City.

Manuscripts and Records


American Legion. Photocopy of Francis Boyle scrapbook on Roy L. Chopek Post #17, American Legion. Iowa City, 1931–1932. 130 pp. Includes efforts to find work for the unemployed.


Augusta, Iowa, Methodist Episcopal Church. Ladies Aid Society records, 15 April 1915–17 Sept. 1925. Holograph (1 vol.). Includes bylaws, membership lists, minutes, financial records. To raise money to support the church, the approximately 35 members quilted, made aprons, and held oyster and harvest home suppers.

Burr, Howard B. Architectural plans, drawings, print material, photocopies, correspondence, photographs of Burr and his houses, and area map. Includes index. Waterloo, 1909–1938. 1 box (½ ft.) + 138 architectural plans.

Campaign to Organize Graduate Students, University of Iowa. Personal papers, meeting minutes, correspondence, memoranda, etc. 1990–1994. Six folders; one audio cassette tape.

Day, Frances Olsen, 1881–1973. Writings. Marshalltown, ca. 1956. 4 essays: Pioneering; More about Life on the Prairie; Prairie Flowers; School Days in Elm Grove in Calhoun County, Iowa (1880s). Contains memoirs of her father’s 1881 immigration, including accounts of prairie fires, dust storms, blizzards, drought, disease, quilting bees, farming, peddlers, sod houses, school experiences, church and social activities on the prairie.

Gilbert, William Fordney, 1844–1923. Recollections from 1919(?–1920 of Burlington, 1850s to 1880s. Holograph (1 vol.) + 5 photocopied newspaper clippings. Gilbert, a Burlington building contractor, served in the 25th Iowa Regiment in the Civil War at Shiloh, Vicksburg, and with Sherman. Lists Civil
War veterans and includes descriptions of early Burlington buildings and ownership, first railroad turntable, Underground Railroad, Black Hawk's bones, start of Burlington Hawk-Eye. Early accounts may be oral history.

Gullixson, Cecilia and T. F. Three papers on pioneer experiences. Humboldt County, ca. 1933. 29 pp. Photocopy of typescript + 10 unidentified cabinet portraits. Andreas Rossg family traveled from Norway in 1857 and settled in Wisconsin. Rossing's daughter Anne married Andreas Gullixson and homesteaded near Bode in Humboldt County. Authors describe travel, grasshopper plagues, wildlife on the prairies, severe winters, farm and family life. Much genealogical material.


Hanson, George Bernard. How the Peter Cassel party crossed Pennsylvania. Dallas, Texas, 1993. Typescript (8 pp.) + 6 photocopied photographs. Describes 1845 travel in 4 days over 310 miles in Pennsylvania by railroad cars designed to be canal boats also. Quotes from American Notes by Charles Dickens, who took the same trip in 1842. Photographs of Allegheny Portage Railroad course, cars, and map.


Iowa State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. Minutes of Marion Grange #391. Hooks Point, Hamilton County, 1872-1874. 205 pp. Last records indicate dissatisfaction with Grange. Also songbook for National Grange, 1909; and Program of the 89th Session of the Iowa State Grange, September 23-25, 1958, in Grinnell.

Jeffers, James Ward, ca. 1898-? Papers and photographs. Des Moines, 1918-1945. 1 box (5 ft.). Correspondence, professional material, and photographs relating to J. W. Jeffers detail his experiences as World War I veteran, music teacher, bandmaster, instrument salesman, and entrepreneur.


Kent, Fred Wallace, 1894-1984. Papers and photographs. DeWitt, Davenport, and Iowa City, 1858-1978. 11 boxes (5½ ft.). Holograph, print, and photographs (ca. 10,000). Kent was a professional photographer associated with the University of Iowa. Family papers include 1858 agreement between grandfather and Antoine LeClaire, maps, legal documents, and letters, 1885-1939, concerning Charles F. Kent drugstore in DeWitt. Also personal letters received
by Fred from future wife Clara Hartman, family, and friends. Also photo orders, inquiries about medical photography, birdwatching notes, a few diaries, material relating to aerial photography and service during World War I.


Musical Touring Groups. Documentation of experiences of Louis H. McPike and his future wife Mable I. Delaney touring across Iowa (and many parts of the U.S.) with various musical groups, ca. 1893-1901. One scrapbook containing newspaper clippings, handbills, programs, correspondence, and advertisements.

Northside Neighborhood Association. Records, meeting notices, preservation activities, etc. Iowa City, 1989-present. 1 box (½ ft).

Rennie, Orville and Jane. Papers of the Cherry Sisters of Cedar Rapids, with material relating to their lives and careers. 1875–1987. 2½ ft. (5 boxes + oversize materials). Theatrical act of sisters Ella, Lizzie, Addie, Effie, and Jessie Cherry. Includes letters, 1880–1887; two diaries by Lizzie, 1875–1876 and 1916–1919; literary productions (songs and poems), sheet music, flyers, programs, posters, photographs, ca. 150 newspaper clippings, unpublished manuscripts and political speeches by Effie, and unpublished biography by Winifred Van Etten, late 1940s. Later correspondence between manager Orville Rennie and various researchers.


Scattergood Friends School. Records. West Branch, 1875–1981. 21 ft. (40 boxes + oversize materials), holograph + print. Includes history of founder and founding, accounts, correspondence, grade and log books, minutes, annual reports of Friends, school governance, faculty, alumni reports, histories, research materials and articles, copy of deed, map of campus, and future developments.


Towne, Albert L. Civil War letters to sister Clarissa in Heartland, Iowa. 4 Sept. 1862–8 Dec. 1866. 1 folder (30 letters) holograph. Reports camp activities, victories, campaigns with his regiment (32d). Inquires about relatives, girls at home, sister's school. Last letter to "Dear Husband" from Mary.

Towne, John Gilbert. Civil War letters to family in Heartland, Iowa. June 1862–April 1865. 1 folder (18 letters) holograph + fragments (poem, music, booklet) print and holograph. Letters, chiefly from John to his sister, describe camp life, work of pickets, skirmishes, victories, marches; express concern about family and word of Indian trouble; and ask about his sister's teaching.
Audio-Visual

Broadsides. Advertisement/brochure for Beckman Bros., Des Moines, manufacturers of pumps and windmills, ca. 1920s. 6¼ × 13¼ encapsulated newsprint.

Camp Perry, Ohio. Two photographs relating to Smith Brookhart: one group photo of 7 soldiers; one group photo of 18 soldiers, ca. 1911. 5” × 7” b&w photographs.

Crane, Frederick. Addition to collection: two oral history interviews, one with John Ehrlich and one with Ruth Baumgarten Crane; four LP records; and photocopies of 16 photographs relating to Baumgarten family.

Felton, William H. Views of store interiors, street scenes, and small-town activities from 12 communities, including Belmond, Clear Lake, Hampton, Kanawha, Klemme, Marshalltown, ca. 1922–1925. 440 5” × 7” glass plate negatives, along with some 4” × 5” negatives, and 1 glass lantern slide.

Fredericksburg. Booklet containing photographs taken on the former homestead of Buel Sherman. 18 photographs, including family portrait, building and landscape views, ca. 1909.

Independence. Exterior view of Francis P. Delaney home, with various family members seated in front of house, ca. 1897. Original photograph loaned to make reproduction.


Iowa City Views. Two panoramic photographs in frames: Third Annual Convention of the Association of Iowa Real Estate Boards, January 24–26, 1922; view of City Park and University of Iowa president’s home, ca. 1915. 8” × 36” and 8” × 48”.

Iowa City Views. Photographs of Iowa City showing First United Methodist Church, University of Iowa Communications Center, Whetstone’s Drug Store, Men’s Old Gym (Armory), and Melrose Ave. (by the Burlington Street Bridge), ca. 1900. Five 3½” × 5” b&w photographs.

Iowa Labor History Oral Project. Addition to collection: Fred Adams interviews and transcripts of Holub and other interviews. 8 reel-to-reel tapes and 16 interview transcriptions.

Iowa Musicians. Collection of LP records by various artists, including Glenn Miller, Ozzie Nelson, and Roger Williams. Transferred from University of Iowa Music Library collection. Forty-three 33⅓ rpm LP records and two boxed sets.

Iowa Musicians. 222 sound recordings (LPs, 45s, CDs, cassette tapes). Artists as varied as Glenn Miller, Roger Miller, Andy Williams, Greg Brown, Tommy Bolin, and a collection of limited edition titles by local rock-and-roll bands.

Iowa Photographer. Photographs relating to Andrew Scott, who operated studios in Riceville, Stacyville, and possibly Lime Springs. 5 photographs loaned for copying, along with two prints and biographical information about Andrew Scott, ca. 1900.
Iowa Scenes. Glass plate negative collection of the Altwoldt family, with images from Lake Okoboji, Dixon Beach, Algona area, etc. Also postcards, carte-de-visites, and original photographs from various Iowa towns, 1890–1910. 68 glass plate negatives, 21 postcards, 2 carte-de-visites, and 3 photographs.

Iowa Views. Iowa Homestead booklet with copper engravings of farm scenes, ca. 1920.


Postcards. Two scrapbooks containing both color and black-and-white postcards depicting Iowa towns, street scenes, buildings, colleges, parks, rivers, lakes, etc. Also includes many non-Iowa images, as well as greeting cards. Approximately 700+ postcards, ca. 1900–1940.

Scattergood Friends School. Two films added to collection: “Scattergood,” 1948–49, depicting miscellaneous activities, ca. 15 minutes; and “Red,” the painting of a barn at Scattergood, 1968, filmed by John Vander Water, ca. 8 minutes.

Solon Views. Photographs depicting various views of Solon, and also portrait of Jessie Newcomb, ca. 1880–1930. Five originals loaned to have reprints made.


Spillville. Photograph of furniture store/photo studio in Spillville, built by Charles Andera, ca. 1875. One 8” x 10” reprint, along with one page of biographical information.


Western Normal College. Photograph of a group of students from Western Normal College in Shenandoah, ca. 1900. 9” x 7” b&w photograph.

Willow Creek. Photograph of Central House hotel, with people in front of building, ca. 1888–1892. Original tintype loaned for reproduction.

Maps

Iowa City. Reprint of 1868 bird’s-eye view map of Iowa City, drawn by A. Ruger.

Iowa Geological Survey Maps. Geological and topographic maps (both county and state) showing the superficial deposits of various counties, and miscellaneous maps showing geological formations, drift sheets, elevations, etc. 54 maps, ca. 1894–1925.

Iowa Map. Auto road map of Iowa, including town populations, 1915–1916. 234/" x 18").
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Iowa Map. Cycling map of Iowa, 1994, including biking trails, sites in Iowa, Welcome Centers, biking tips and laws, etc. 37½" x 26½".

Iowa Maps. City Base Maps, published by the Iowa Department of Transportation. Approximately 950 IDOT maps, ca. 1970s, and 50 Iowa State Planning Commission maps, ca. 1930s.

Iowa Maps. Topographic maps of Iowa showing region surrounding Marion, Mechanicsville, and Iowa City, ca. 1887–88. 6 maps, 16¼" x 20" each.

Iowa Maps. Various maps of Iowa, including sectional maps of Iowa for 1883 and 1886; map of Clayton County, 1856; and maps and profiles of Iowa railroads, 1881.

Roosevelt Highway Map. Includes photographs of key sites along or near U.S. Route 6, ca. 1930s.

Published Materials

*An Address Delivered at the Third Annual Meeting and Exhibition of the Southern Iowa Horticultural Society, October 20, 1852,* by John H. Rauch, M.D. Burlington, 1853. 17 pp. IC.


*Comprehensive City Plan for Cedar Rapids, Iowa,* edited by J. F. Rall. Cedar Rapids: City Plan Commission, 1931. 154 pp. IC.


*Fort Madison, Iowa, 1911: Illustrating the City's Manufacturing, Residential, Religious, and Educational Advantages.* Fort Madison: Commercial Club, 1911. 24 pp. IC.


*From Obscurity to Distinction: The Story of Mercy Hospital, Iowa City, 1873–1993,* by Sister Mary Brigid Condon. Iowa City: Mercy Hospital, 1993. 205 pp. IC.


Guide to Railroad Historical Resources, United States and Canada, compiled by Thomas T. Taber III. Muncy, PA, 1993. 4 vols. IC.


